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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

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On METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
COATING CONTAINER BODIES
INTERNALLY

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## **AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 1997, the time for response to which is extended by 3 months to February 28, 1998 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please amend the claims as follows:

## In The Claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice amended) Method for coating container bodies internally with a [coating] <u>powder</u> material as they emerge in succession from a welding machine, characterized in that the [coating] <u>powder</u> material is fed from the welding

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